

REMARKS

I. INTRODUCTION

In response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2005, claims 1-11, 20-30 and 39-49 have been canceled, and claims 12-19, 31-38 and 50-57 have been amended. Claims 12-19, 31-38 and 50-57 remain in the application. Entry of the amendments, and re-consideration of the application, is requested.

II. PRIOR ART REJECTIONS

In sections (3)-(6) of the Office Action, claims 1, 5, 6, 20, 24, 15, 39, 43, and 44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin "Resource Management System for Multimedia Devices" (IBM Bulletin), in view of Arakawa et al. (Arakawa), U.S. Publication No. 2002/0065793. In sections (8)-(11) of the Office Action, claims 2, 3, 21, 22, 40, and 41 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over IBM Bulletin, in view of Arakawa, and further in view of Hintz et al. (Hintz), U.S. Patent No. 5,222,235. In sections (12)-(14) of the Office Action, claims 4, 23, and 42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over IBM Bulletin, in view of Arakawa, and further in view of Bordonaro et al. (Bordonaro), U.S. Patent No. 5,307,485. In sections (15)-(16) of the Office Action, claims 7-11, 26-30, and 45-49 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over IBM Bulletin, in view of Arakawa, and further in view of an "Official Notice".

However, in section (17) of the Office Action, claims 12-19, 31-38, and 50-57 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants' attorney has canceled claims 1-11, 20-30, 39-49 without prejudice, and has amended claims 12-19, 31-38 and 50-57 into independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Thus, claims 12-19, 31-38 and 50-57 are now allowable.

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III. CONCLUSION

In view of the above, it is submitted that this application is now in good order for allowance and such allowance is respectfully solicited.


Should the Examiner believe minor matters still remain that can be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is urged to call Applicants' undersigned attorney.

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